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12 November 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM:

Chief, Information and Privacy Division, OIS

SUBJECT: IPD/OIS Weekly Report (5-11 November)

D/A REGISTRY
FILE: Reports
1981 Weekly Average

1. The Week in Review

5-11 Nov

a. New cases logged	32	58.7
b. Cases closed	39	59.3
c. New appeals logged	0	1.9
d. Appeals closed	5	3.8
e. Manpower (man-weeks)	114.1	122.7

2. Current Backlogs

- a. Initial requests - 3019
- b. Appeals - 246

3. Spotlighted Requests

a. Allan Maraynes, producer of "60 Minutes" for CBS, requested access to all material involving "the intelligence services of THE READERS DIGEST (the magazine) which may have been provided for the U.S. or foreign governments."

b. Russell Dolly of Jessup, Maryland, asked that he be provided the name and address of the foreign equivalent of the CIA in 25 countries. He also wants the names of the directors of these foreign intelligence agencies and their addresses. (This letter came to us in a roundabout way. It was addressed to the United States Information Agency, now the International Communication Agency. ICA forwarded it to the Federal Information Center of the General Services Administration. This organization referred it to our Agency for action.)

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c. Kenneth T. Blaylock, president of the American Federation of Government Employees, submitted a request for information relating to Agency personnel. In all, he asked for nine categories of information. It appears that he is primarily interested in obtaining data on the number of positions abolished since the start of CY 1981 and the number of persons who have been given RIF notices.

d. Robert B. Cullen of the Associated Press requested copies of documents concerning surveillance and information-gathering activities carried out in the United States against their citizens by the Republic of China, Yugoslavia, the Republic of Korea, Libya, South Africa, Philippines, Chile, El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Iran. In addition, he wants access to records relating to harassment, intimidation, violence, or other forms of retribution by these governments against their nationals for political activities occurring in the United States. Finally, he requested copies of communications from the aforementioned countries, or CIA assessments, on how "CIA operations in those countries" might be affected by any action the U.S. Government might take to stop the surveillance and harassment of aliens living in the United States.

e. Timothy A. Robinson of St. Louisville, Ohio, asked for information on the abortive attempt to rescue the hostages in Tehran, a copy of an alleged report on the ability of B-52s to penetrate Soviet airspace, copies of any CIA investigations of the assassination of Anwar Sadat, and photographs of the current and former DCIs.

4. Spotlighted Responses

a. Joseph E. Persico of Bethesda, Maryland, author of Piercing the Reich, visited our reading room on 6 November to examine previously released documents on the OSS Vessel Project. He ordered copies of 379 pages of material.

b. We advised the Judicial and Fiscal Branch of the National Archives that a document they had referred to the Agency, an ONE memorandum dated 29 June 1971, was being denied in its entirety. This document was requested from the National Archives, under the FOIA, by Kenneth Rodman.

c. Copies of all previously released records pertaining to the various campuses of the State University of New York (SUNY) were provided to Daniel Holder, editor of the SUNY at Buffalo campus newspaper, The Spectrum.

d. A complete set of the JFK/Oswald release, comprising 3,747 pages of material, was sent to Donald O'Kula of Long Beach, California.

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5. Analysis

Before certain types of final responses are signed and mailed, they are sent by IPD to other Agency components, usually to the DO but occasionally to other components as well, for final concurrence. IPD has in the past controlled these final concurrence packages through manual records. However, we have now modified the automated logging system to accommodate such transactions. This will enable us to keep a better accounting of the cases out for final concurrence and will also facilitate their inclusion in the monthly backlog report. The switch from the manual recordkeeping system to the automated log was dictated by the increasing number of cases being returned to components for final concurrence—51 cases were out as of 2 November 1981—and by the length of time that it is taking the components to complete their reviews.



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